# Lesson #2 Activity 2.2 Super Target Project Handout

## **Super Target Project Guidelines**

Congrats! You are now the CEO and Board of Directors for Target Corporation! Your first tasks:

 Look at the 'store locator' maps for both Wal-Mart and Target. Using what we decided to be an 'ideal location' for a Super Target, try to find an area in Minnesota that does not have a Super Target, but needs one!

Target: click Here and Here

#### Walmart: click Here and Here

- Once you determine an ideal "possible" store location; visit to the city's website, the <u>US Census website</u>, and the <u>NYT website showing household income levels</u>, and also make sure to look up possible competition. These factors are key to determining if this site is good for you.
- 3. With your group, create a presentation in 'google presentation' or PowerPoint to share your ideal store location and factors that influenced your decision. Guidelines for the presentation are below:

#### The presentation should include the following:

- A small scale map that depicts the location for a new Super Target (use your screenshot skills to do this!) using <u>Google Maps</u>. Check out the <u>Super Target Presentation</u> to learn how to screenshot and to see examples of small scale and large scale maps and an illustration of land availability.
- 2. A **large scale map** that *depicts the location of existing* Super Target and Walmart stores and the accessibility of transportation to these locations (use your screenshot skills to do this!) using <u>Google Maps Earth View</u>.
- An illustration of land availability for development. (Hint: Aerial photos work well.) This illustration should show roads available for development, as well as potential building and parking lot sites for the new Super Target. Use <u>Google</u> <u>Maps Earth View</u>.
- 4. Population patterns of the city:

- a. What is the threshold of the area? How do you know that people will shop there?
- b. Explain how you know that the population of the city/surrounding areas can support a Super Target.

### 5. Population of the hinterland that will also support a Super Target:

- a. Provide the population of the hinterland.
- b. Explain how the population of the hinterland can support a Super Target.
- 6. Identify at least **three additional geographic reasons** that support the location and explain how these reasons can be used to support the new Super Target. Examples of some possible geographic reasons are listed below:
  - a. <a href="mailto:median income">median income</a> (change maps to 'income median household income'; zoom in to view specific neighborhoods!)
  - b. nearby competition
  - c. demand factors cultural preferences, price, traditions, weather, government policies and/or
  - d. population composition number of workers, number of consumers.

#### **Additional Requirement:**

You will need to create a 'bibliography' page on your group's 'google presentation'. This resource page should include ALL websites and resources that your group used during this project. Please put these citations in MLA format.